

Government of Pakistan
Pakistan Bureau of Statistics

SUB:- ADVANCE RELEASE ON EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2015.

EXPORTS:

According to the provisional figures compiled by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics, exports from Pakistan during May, 2015 amounted to Rs.198,851 million (provisional) as against Rs. 202,874 million (provisional) in April, 2015 and Rs.208,316 million during May, 2014 showing a decrease of 1.98% over April,2015 and of 4.54% over May, 2014.

2. In terms of US dollars the exports in May, 2015 was \$ 1,953 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 1,995 million (provisional) in April, 2015 showing a decrease of 2.11% and by 7.57% as compared to \$ 2,113 million in May, 2014.

3. Exports during July - May, 2014 - 2015 totalled Rs.2,214,528 million (provisional) as against Rs.2,384,782 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 7.14%.

4. In terms of US dollars the exports during July – May, 2014 - 2015 totalled \$ 21,869 million (provisional) against \$ 23,092 million during the corresponding period of last year showing a decrease of 5.30%.

5. Main commodities of exports during May, 2015 were Knitwear (Rs.22,602 million), Cotton cloth (Rs.19,444 million), Readymade garments (Rs.19,118 million), Bedwear (Rs.17,576 million), Cotton yarn (Rs.13,709 million), Rice others (Rs.11,605 million), Towels (Rs.6,749 million), Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear) (Rs.6,399 million), Sugar (Rs.5,587 million) and Leather tanned (Rs.4,474 million).

6. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities exported during May, 2015 over April, 2015 and May, 2014 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2015 over	
		April, 2015	May, 2014
1.	Knitwear	16.53	-8.43
2.	Cotton cloth	-9.23	-12.96
3.	Readymade garments	7.87	32.72
4.	Bedwear	-2.64	-6.86
5.	Cotton yarn	9.26	-4.96
6.	Rice others	-17.04	57.72
7.	Towels	3.34	-6.28
8.	Madeup articles (excl. towels & bedwear)	13.90	4.54
9.	Sugar	26.09	650.94
10.	Leather tanned	7.08	-24.72

IMPORTS

7. Imports into Pakistan during May, 2015 amounted to Rs.391,632 million (provisional) as against Rs. 385,483 million (provisional) in April, 2015 and Rs.361,817 million during May, 2014 showing an increase of 1.60% over April, 2015 and of 8.24 over May, 2014.

8. In terms of US dollars the imports in May, 2015 was \$ 3,847 million (provisional) as compared to \$ 3,790 million (provisional) in April, 2015 showing an increase of 1.50% and by 4.82% as compared to \$ 3,670 million in May, 2014.

9. Imports during July - May, 2014 - 2015 totalled Rs.4,212,557 million (provisional) as against Rs.4,205,292 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 0.17%.

10. In terms of US dollars the imports during July - May, 2014 - 2015 totalled \$ 41,585 million (provisional) as against \$ 40,755 million during the corresponding period of last year showing an increase of 2.04%.

11. Main commodities of imports during May, 2015 were Petroleum products (Rs.67,184 million), Plastic materials (Rs.18,187 million), Petroleum crude (Rs.16,399 million), Iron & steel (Rs.15,939 million), Palm oil (Rs.14,280 million), Power generating machinery (Rs.10,593 million), Electrical machinery & apparatus (Rs.10,359 million), Iron & steel scrap (Rs.9,818 million), Medicinal products (Rs.8,198 million) and Aircrafts, ships & boats (Rs.7,908 million).

12. The increase(+) / decrease(-) recorded in main commodities imported during May, 2015 over April, 2015 and May, 2014 is given below:-

S.No.	COMMODITIES	%Change for value in million Rupees in May, 2015 over	
		April, 2015	May, 2014
1.	Petroleum products	14.18	-3.29
2.	Plastic materials	7.12	17.88
3.	Petroleum crude	-58.23	-66.04
4.	Iron & Steel	-20.67	14.63
5.	Palm oil	20.05	1.92
6.	Power generating machinery	-35.90	2.06
7.	Electrical machinery & apparatus	20.26	6.89
8.	Iron & steel scrap	1.20	24.06
9.	Medicinal products	21.99	63.37
10.	Aircrafts, ships & boats	86.33	59.11

BALANCE OF TRADE:

13. Based on the provisional figures of imports and exports the balance of trade in May, 2015 was (-) 192,781 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 1,894 million in US dollars. The balance of trade figures cumulative from July - May, 2014 - 2015 were (-) 1,998,029 million in terms of Rupees and (-) 19,716 million in US dollars.

14. Four statements giving quantity and value details of selected commodities of exports and imports for the month of May, 2015 and July - May, 2014 - 2015 along-with the data for previous month and corresponding period are enclosed.